

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend claims 1-15, 18-21, 23, 24 and 26-29, and add new claims 31-34 as shown below. The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of the claims in this application.

1. (Currently Amended) For use with a garage door operating system comprising a hand-held wireless garage door transmitter having an activation button, a system for actuating the garage door transmitter comprising:

a vehicle transmitter for transmitting a wireless garage door transmitter control signal; and

a control module for mounting in a structure comprising a garage, the control module adapted to receive the garage door transmitter, the control module comprising,

a receiver for receiving the garage door transmitter control signal,

a controller to be provided in communication with the receiver for generating a garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal, and

an actuator to be provided in communication with the controller, the actuator for ~~activating~~ actuating the garage door transmitter activation button in response to the garage door actuator transmitter control signal so that the garage door transmitter transmits a wireless garage door control signal for use in operating a garage door.

3 ~~1~~ 2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the vehicle transmitter is to be mounted in the vehicle.

4 ~~3~~ 2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the vehicle transmitter is for use by a vehicle occupant.

5 ~~4~~ 2. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the control module further comprises a battery for providing electrical power to at least the actuator.

6 ~~5~~. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the actuator comprises a solenoid, the garage door transmitter includes a transmitter activation button, and the solenoid is adapted to be positioned adjacent the transmitter activation button.

7 ~~6~~. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal includes an identification code, and wherein the controller determines if the identification code is valid and generates the garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal only if the identification code is determined valid.

8 ~~7~~. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[1]]~~ ² ~~31~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and wherein the vehicle transmitter is adapted to encrypt the garage door transmitter control signal and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

9 ~~8~~. (Currently Amended) For use with a garage door operating system comprising a hand-held wireless garage door transmitter having an activation button, a system for actuating the garage door transmitter comprising:

a vehicle transceiver for receiving a wireless interrogation signal and automatically transmitting a wireless garage door transmitter control signal in response thereto;
and

a control module for mounting in a structure comprising a garage, the control module adapted to receive the garage door transmitter, the control module comprising,

a transceiver for automatically transmitting the interrogation signal, and for receiving the garage door transmitter control signal,

a controller to be provided in communication with the transceiver for generating a garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal, and

an actuator to be provided in communication with the controller, the actuator for ~~activating~~ actuating the garage door transmitter activation button in response to

the garage door actuator transmitter control signal so that the garage door transmitter transmits a wireless garage door control signal for use in operating a garage door.

~~11~~ 9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[8]] 32~~¹⁰ wherein the vehicle transceiver is to be mounted in a vehicle.

~~12~~ 10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[8]] 32~~¹⁰ wherein the control module further comprises a battery for providing electrical power to at least the actuator.

~~13~~ 11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[8]] 32~~¹⁰ wherein the actuator comprises a solenoid, the garage door transmitter includes a transmitter activation button, and the solenoid is adapted to be positioned adjacent the transmitter activation button.

~~14~~ 12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[8]] 32~~¹⁰ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal includes an identification code, and wherein the controller determines if the identification code is valid and generates the garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal only if the identification code is determined valid.

~~15~~ 13. (Currently Amended) The system of claim ~~[[8]] 32~~¹⁰ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and wherein the vehicle transceiver is adapted to encrypt the garage door transmitter control signal and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

~~16~~ 14. (Currently Amended) For use with a garage door operating system comprising a hand-held wireless garage door transmitter having an activation button, a method for actuating the garage door transmitter comprising:

providing a control module for mounting in a structure comprising a garage, the control module adapted to receive the garage door transmitter, the control module comprising, a receiver for receiving a wireless garage door transmitter control signal,

a controller to be provided in communication with the receiver for generating a garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal, and

an actuator to be provided in communication with the controller, the actuator for ~~actuating~~ actuating the garage door transmitter activation button in response to the garage door transmitter actuator control signal so that the garage door transmitter transmits a wireless garage door control signal for use in operating a garage door.

¹⁸ ~~15~~ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[14]]~~ ¹⁷ ~~36~~ further comprising providing a vehicle transmitter for use in transmitting the garage door transmitter control signal.

¹⁹ ~~16~~ (Original) The method of claim ~~15~~ ¹⁸ wherein the vehicle transmitter is to be mounted in the vehicle.

²⁰ ~~17~~ (Original) The method of claim ~~16~~ ¹⁸ wherein the vehicle transmitter is for use by a vehicle occupant.

²¹ ~~18~~ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[14]]~~ ¹⁷ ~~36~~ wherein the control module further comprises a battery for providing electrical power to at least the actuator.

²² ~~19~~ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[14]]~~ ¹⁷ ~~36~~ wherein the actuator comprises a solenoid, the garage door transmitter includes a transmitter activation button, and the solenoid is adapted to be positioned adjacent the transmitter activation button.

²³ ~~20~~ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[14]]~~ ¹⁷ ~~36~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal includes an identification code, and wherein the controller determines if the identification code is valid and generates the garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal only if the identification code is determined valid.

~~24~~ ²¹ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[14]]~~ ¹⁷ ~~23~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

~~25~~ ¹⁸ (Original) The method of claim ~~18~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and wherein the vehicle transmitter is adapted to encrypt the garage door transmitter control signal and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

~~26~~ ²⁵ (Currently Amended) For use with a garage door operating system comprising a hand-held wireless garage door transmitter having an activation button, a method for actuating the garage door transmitter comprising:

providing a control module for mounting in a structure comprising a garage, the control module adapted to receive the garage door transmitter, the control module comprising, a transceiver for automatically transmitting a wireless interrogation signal and for receiving a wireless garage door transmitter control signal,

a controller to be provided in communication with the transceiver for generating a garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal, and

an actuator to be provided in communication with the controller, the actuator for actuating the garage door transmitter activation button in response to the garage door actuator transmitter control signal so that the garage door transmitter transmits a wireless garage door control signal for use in operating a garage door.

~~28~~ ²⁷ (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[23]]~~ ³¹ further comprising providing a vehicle transceiver for receiving the interrogation signal and automatically transmitting the garage door transmitter control signal in response thereto.

~~29~~ ²⁸ (Original) The method of claim ~~24~~ wherein the vehicle transceiver is to be mounted in a vehicle.

~~30~~ ²⁷ ~~28~~. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[23]]~~ ²⁷ ~~34~~ wherein the control module further comprises a battery for providing electrical power to at least the actuator.

~~31~~ ²⁷ ~~27~~. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[23]]~~ ²⁷ ~~34~~ wherein the actuator comprises a solenoid, the garage door transmitter includes a transmitter activation button, and the solenoid is adapted to be positioned adjacent the transmitter activation button.

~~32~~ ²⁷ ~~28~~. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[23]]~~ ²⁷ ~~34~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal includes an identification code, and wherein the controller determines if the identification code is valid and generates the garage door transmitter actuator control signal in response to the garage door transmitter control signal only if the identification code is determined valid.

~~33~~ ²⁷ ~~28~~. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[23]]~~ ²⁷ ~~34~~ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

~~34~~ ²⁸ ~~30~~. (Original) The method of claim ~~24~~ ²⁸ wherein the garage door transmitter control signal is encrypted, and wherein the vehicle transceiver is adapted to encrypt the garage door transmitter control signal and the controller is adapted to decrypt the garage door transmitter control signal.

~~2~~ ²⁸ ~~31~~. (New) The system of claim 1 wherein the actuator is selectively moveable by a user to position the actuator adjacent to the activation button.

~~10~~ ⁹ ~~32~~. (New) The system of claim ~~8~~ ⁹ wherein the actuator is selectively moveable by a user to position the actuator adjacent to the activation button.

~~17~~ ¹⁶ ~~33~~. (New) The method of claim ~~14~~ ¹⁶ wherein the actuator is selectively positionable adjacent the activation button.

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27 ~~*24*~~ (New) The method of claim ~~*23*~~^{*26*} wherein the actuator is selectively positionable adjacent the activation button.
